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LOCAL FUNDS—ROADS.

No. 29. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 11th December 1874 :—

Read again Board's Proceedings, dated 1st and 23rd October 1874, Miscellaneous Nos. 6857 and 7398, respectively.

Read also the following letter from J. R. COCKERELL, Esq., President of the Local Fund Board, Nilgiris, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Ootacamund, 27th November 1874, No. 26 :—

In paragraph 1 of their Proceedings, Miscellaneous No. 6857, dated 1st October 1874, the Board of Revenue direct the postponement of improving the trace from Lady Canning's Seat to Dolphin's Nose at Coonoor. The Nilgiri Local Fund Board, at a meeting held on the 26th ultimo, passed the subjoined Resolution on the subject :—

"The work having been begun in anticipation of the Revenue Board's sanction, and considerable progress being already made therein, the Board would urge that the allotment be sanctioned. No further allotment will, it is expected, be made in the year; the amount still unallotted is Rupees 1,112. The excess of receipts under the Road Fund above the amount shown in the Budget for the current year is Rupees 1,200, consequently the deficit will probably not exceed Rupees 2,000 at the close of the year. The stoppage of the work at its present stage will cause much inconvenience and loss."

2. I have the honor to request that, under the circumstances detailed in the above Resolution, the Board will see fit to withdraw their prohibition.

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On the 27th July 1874 the Nilgiri Local Fund Board sanctioned an estimate "for forming the trace from the Lady Canning's Seat Road to the Dolphin's Nose into a bridle-path nine feet wide" at a cost of Rupees 1,640 and asked the Board of Revenue to allot that sum from the Road Fund Reserve.

2. The President submitted the Resolution in September. From what he said it was clear that there was no immediate necessity for the work, and, as the Nilgiri Road Fund, having commenced the year with a deficit of Rupees 3,879, had no funds to spare the Board ordered it to be postponed.

3. It is now reported that the road was commenced in anticipation of sanction; that considerable progress has been made; and that the Local Fund Board think a "stoppage of the work at its present stage will cause much inconvenience and loss."

4. There has been a distinct violation of Rule XXXIII., and, as the application of the Local Fund Board amounts to an application to be allowed to use Government money for a time, it will be submitted for the orders of Government.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
8th January 1875.

No. 30. ORDER THEREON, 8th January 1875, No. 26.

Under the circumstances reported the work need not be stopped, but the Government must express their disapproval of the action of the Local Board in contravening the provisions of Rule XXXIII., which they desire may in future be rigidly adhered to.

(True Extract.)

Acting Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

Govt. of {1875} Madras.

FINANCIAL.

To THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated January, 8th.

Recd. Read.

G.O., 8th January 1875, *No.* 26.

JANUARY.

Nos. 29-30.

Ootacamund Circle.—The work of improving the trace from Lady Canning's Seat to Dolphin's Nose, ordered to be proceeded; but disapproval of the Local Board's action in contravening the provisions of Rule XXXIII. expressed.

Revenue Department.

Miscellaneous No 6857

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated 1st October 1874.

Read the following :-

No 21

From J. R. Cockerell Esqre
President Local Fund
Board Nilgiris

To The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Madras

Sir

With reference to the annexed resolution of the Nilgiri Local Fund Board dated 27th July 1874 I have the honor to forward for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs 1640 for forming the trace from the Lady Canning's Seat to the Dolphin's Nose at Coonoor into a good bridle path 9 feet wide.

2- This work is a continuation of the road just completed to Lady Canning's Seat and will open up access for the visitors

to

to Coonoor to picturesque scenery. The Planters holding property in the vicinity of Dolphin's nose will also in the opinion of the Majority of the Board benefit by the improvement of the trace.

3. It is proposed to appropri= =ate the amount of the esti= =mate from the Road Fund Reserve.

4. In connection with the matter I deem it proper to draw attention to G. O. P. W. D. 20th June 1874 No. 1668. in which I expressed an opinion con= =trary to the present decision of the Local Fund Board stating my reasons for thinking an extension of Lady Canning's Road unnecessary for the present in view of the many other requirements of the District.

I have &c.

Nilgiri Local Fund Board's office, Ootacamund 10th September 1874

/Sigd/ J. R. Cockerell
President
Nilgiri Local Fund Board

Extract

Extract from Proceedings of a meeting of the Nilgiri Local Fund Board dated 27th July 1874.

Present. J. R. Cockerell Esqr. - President
F. Grones Esquire
T. Stanes Esquire
E. J. C. Brace Esquire
A. Thapshaw Esquire
A. S. Stretton Esquire
Captain Morant
H. B. Grigg Esqr. Honorary Secretary

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Read letter from the District Engineer No. 218 dated 30th June 1874 forwarding an estimate of Rs. 1640 for forming the trace from the Lady Canning's Seat road to the Dolphin's nose into a bridle path 9 feet wide.

Resolved that the sanction of the Board of Revenue be ob= =tained for the appropriation of the amount required from the allotment for the Road Fund Reserve.

True Extract
/Sigd/ J. R. Cockerell
President Nilgiri
Local Fund Board.

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The Board observe that in 1873-74 the Nilgiri Road Fund closed with a deficit of Rupees 3879. No funds are therefore available for this project and it must be postponed.

The Board cannot find the expression of opinion alluded to in para 4.

/True Copy & Extract/

/Sig.d/ J. Grose
Secretary

To The President Local Fund
Board Nilgiri Circle
with an Estimate
/True Copy/

J Grose
Secretary.

Copy Letter & Estimate

Revenue Department.

Miscellaneous No. 7398

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 23rd October 1874.

Read the following:-

No. 23

From The President
Local Fund Board
Nilgiris

To The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Madras

Sir,

In reference to Board's Proceedings dated 9th Instant Miscellaneous No. 6857 upon the proposal of the Nilgiri Local Fund Board to improve the road from Lady Cannings Seat to Dolphins Nose at Coonoor the Board remark they cannot find any opinion on the subject which was expressed prior to the resolution of the Local Fund Board and was adverse to it.

2. I find that opinion was not printed. I refer in para 2 Government order 20th June 1874 No. 1668, to the

In Inst. 2620 of 74.

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Enclosure in Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 11th December 1874 to Secretary to Government No. [illegible].

Copy of Revenue Proceedings dated 11th December 1874. Rec'd by [illegible].

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In Inst. 2620 of 1874.

the letter containing it. The letter was on
the subject of Lady Canning's Seat
Road. After remarking on the
road to within a short distance
of the Seat I wrote:— "The question
"is what ought to be the next step.
"I enclose a letter to my address
"from Captain Morant containi-
=ing his views. Captain Morant
"proposes that the road should
"be carried past Lady Canning's Seat
"and the zig-zags beyond be im=
=proved to Dolphin's Nose."

"Lady Canning's Seat road com=
=pleted to within a short distance
"of the Seat will leave say 150 yards
"to be traversed on foot to reach
"the Seat. The Seat and approaches
"are railed and are safe for
"pedestrians or for persons riding.
"The path runs along a precipice.
"Captain Morant's estimate of
"Rupees 5450 includes the re=
=tainment of this precipice a
"length of 170 yards by four
"yards deep and the widening
"of the path and he proposes to
improve

"improve the zig-zags beyond at a
"cost of 800 Rupees or thereabout.
"His reasons are that beyond the
"Rose are coffee Estates and
"the road will be useful to the
"owners. He estimates the cost
"at nearly 2000 Rupees. His
"scheme will furnish a road
"which can be driven over in a
"pony carriage from Fern Hill
"Bridge to Dolphin's Nose".

"My views somewhat differ.
"I find that if Lady Canning's
"Seat road was continued it
"would not be used by the
"owners of the Estates lying about
"Dolphin's Nose for bandies as all
"the coffee grown in the vicinity
"goes down straight from the
"Estates to Mettapollium. The
"road would only be used
"as the existing trace is used by
"proprietors and their Servants
"on horseback and by Coolies
"and it is good enough for these
purposes

"purposes how. I would propose
"therefore that Lady Canning's
"seat road should cease as a
"pony carriage road short of
"the seat."

I have &c.

Nilgiri Local Fund Board's Office
Ootacamund
12 October 1874

Nilgiris / J. R. Bockerell
President
Nilgiri Local Fund
Board

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/True Extract/

Nilgiris / J. Grose
Secretary

To The President Local Fund
Board Nilgiris

/True copy/

J Grose
Secretary.

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Revenue Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 11th December 1874.

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Nilgiris

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"The work having been begun in

Copy of Board's Proceedings dated 23rd October 1874 No 7398.

Ans. 2nd Nov/74

in anticipation of the Revenue Board's sanction and consi=derable progress being already made therein, the Board would urge that the allotment be sanctioned. No further allot=ment will it is expected be made in the year; the amount still unallotted is Rs 1112. The excess of receipts under the Road Fund above the amount shewn in the Budget for the current year is Rs 1200 consequently the deficit will probably not exceed Rs 2000 at the close of the year. The stoppage of the work at its present stage will cause much inconvenience and loss."

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I have &c.
Sig.d/ J. R. Cockerell
President
Nilgiri Local Fund Board

Nilgiri Local Fund Board's Office
Ootacamund
27th November 1874

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J Gwse
Secretary

To The Chief Secretary to
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G. O., 8th January 1875, No. 26.

Nos. 29-30.

Chingleput Circle — The work of improving the trace from Lady Cummings Seat to Dolphin's Nose ordered to be proceeded with but disapproval of the Local Board's action in contravening the provisions of Rule 33 expressed.